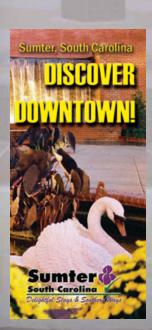
# The Center of Sumter's Action!

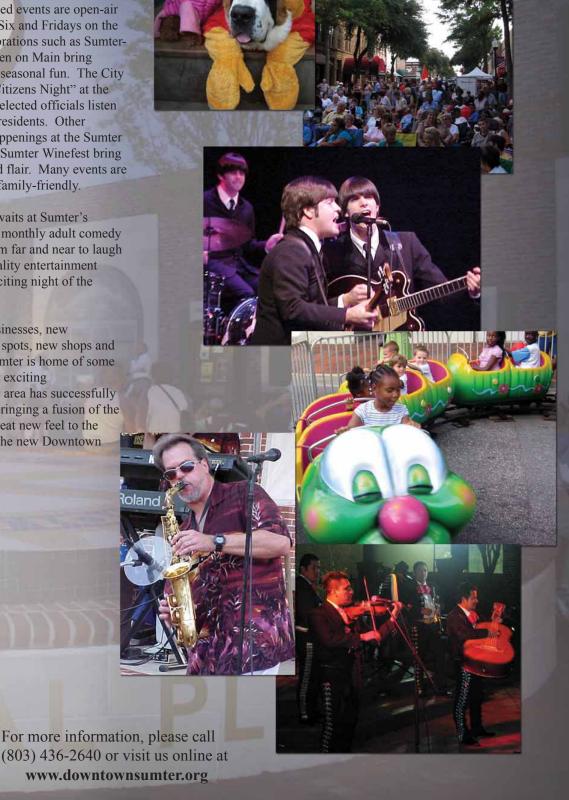
For Sumter's most exciting events, it's hard to beat downtown! Year-round, indoors and out, the city's center waits to welcome you with quality entertainment, educational events and the best parties on the block!

Among the regularly scheduled events are open-air concerts including Sumter@Six and Fridays on the Terrace. Other outdoor celebrations such as Sumter-Shaw Streetfest and Halloween on Main bring thousands to Main Street for seasonal fun. The City of Sumter hosts an annual "Citizens Night" at the Sumter Opera House, where elected officials listen to the concerns of our city's residents. Other occasions such as cultural happenings at the Sumter Opera House and the annual Sumter Winefest bring fun with a more sophisticated flair. Many events are free of charge, and most are family-friendly.

Quality entertainment also awaits at Sumter's historic Opera House, with a monthly adult comedy series drawing audiences from far and near to laugh away the night, and other quality entertainment making Friday's the most exciting night of the week!

With new buildings, new businesses, new restaurants, new after-dinner spots, new shops and more to come, downtown Sumter is home of some of the city's newest and most exciting developments. However, the area has successfully retained its historic charm...bringing a fusion of the best of both worlds. For a great new feel to the city's oldest area, check out the new Downtown Sumter!





# Explore Sumter's historic downtown as it comes alive after five...





#### **Downtown Rocks!**

During the day, Downtown Sumter is home to many restaurants, specialty shops and services, all within easy walking distance of Tuomey Health Care System, City and County offices and many public agencies. A beautiful streetscape featuring lush greenery and gushing fountains makes strolling through the city's center a pleasure, and an historic walking tour makes it an opportunity for a fascinating look into local history.

With the generous assistance of many corporate sponsors, Downtown Sumter is able to offer some of the best live entertainment in town, most of it free of charge to the public. The bustling central business district comes alive with excitement after five! Among the sensational regular events are:

### Fridays on the Terrace

Held on the City Centre Terrace (next door to the City Centre, 21 N. Main Street), "Fridays" caters to an adult audience and features an exciting variety of live music, from classic rock to cool jazz. The concerts are held the third Friday of each month. FREE admission. Monthly from April to October.

#### Sumter@Six

Launched in 2001 with a performance by Sumter's own, the legendary Bill Pinkney, this free outdoor concert series is one of downtown's highlights. Every month from April to October, more than 1,000 people of all ages gather at the Brody Pavilion on South Harvin Street for live beach music, dancing, food and fun. The second Thursday of each month offers a chance to break out the dancing shoes, meet friends old and new, and get moving to some of the best in live beach music. FREE admission. Monthly from April to October.

## Halloween on Main

Halloween on Main is one of Sumter's most popular "kid friendly" events. Main Street shuts down on Halloween evening and fills up with children (of all ages!) dressed for an occasion that features games, trick-ortreating, costume contests and other special events. Don't miss the annual "Dog-o-Ween" contest, when the family pet gets a chance to strut his stuff! FREE admission. Halloween ght annually.

Sumter's House Series presented by the Sumter Civic Theatre

Sumter's House of Comedy: A monthly night of adult live stand-up comedy at the Sumter Opera House. The first Friday each month features comedians from the circuit that launched Larry the Cable Guy, Pauly Shore and Ron White. Adults only admitted (age 18 and up). Monthly. Admission \$10.

Sumter's House of Classic Movies: Enjoy the old-time feel of a movie house! Cartoon reels followed by classic movies, for a trip back in time to the glory days of the silver screen. Second Friday of each month. Admission \$2.50.

Sumter's House of Bluegrass: A variety of bluegrass styles, from classic to country to gospel and everything in between--even some with a contemporary edge! Fourth Friday of each month. Admission \$10.

For more information, call the Swan Lake Visitors Center at (803) 436-2640.

